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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR -
COSTA RICA

REF: STATE 218459

1. WITH CHANGES THAT FOLLOW, CONCUR IN TEXT OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES STATEMENT:

I. NO CHANGE.

I. 1. NO CHANGE.

I. 2. CHANGE TO READ "FURTHER DEVELOP AND EXPAND OUR CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMS IN COSTA RICA TO INSURE THAT PRESENT AND POTENTIAL COSTA RICAN LEADERS AND OPINION-MOLDERS CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO US VALUES AND IDEALS."

I. 3. NO CHANGE.

II. CHANGE TO READ "KEEP COSTA RICA INFORMED OF US ACTIONS ON MATTERS AFFECTING TRADE RELATIONS AND, WHERE POSSIBLE, CONSULT WITH GOCR PRIOR TO TAKING DECISION WHICH MIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECT CONFIDENTIAL

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SUCH RELATIONS."

II. 1. CHANGE TO READ "INFORM AND EXPLAIN TO THE GOCR THOSE DEVELOPMENTS IN US TRADE POLICIES THAT AFFECT OR MIGHT AFFECT COSTA RICAN TRADE, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES. WHERE THE US TRADE POLICY DECISION-MAKING PROCESS PERMITS, CONSULT WITH GOCR TO OBTAIN ITS VIEWS PRIOR TO MAKING DECISIONS AFFECTING

TRADE RELATIONS."

II. 2. CHANGE TO READ "PREVENT, TO THE EXTEND POSSIBLE, THE FUELING OF COSTA RICAN EXPECTATIONS OF PREFERENTIAL TRADE TREATMENT THAT ARE INCONSISTENT WITH US LAW, PARTICULARLY THOSE TRADE MATTERS SUBJECT TO MFN CRITERIA. ON MATTERS INVOLVING DEPARTURES FROM MFN, E.G. QUOTA RESTRICTIONS, EMPHASIZE EQUITY, LEGISLATIVE AND PRACTICAL CONSTRAINTS ON US FLEXIBILITY."

III. CHANGE TO READ "SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE CONTINUATION OF COSTA RICA'S OUTSTANDING RECORD...."

III. 1. F CHANGE.

III. 2. NO CHANGE.

III. 3. NO CHANGE.

IV. NO CHANGE.

IV. 1. NO CHANGE.

IV. 2. NO CHANGE.

ADD V. ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST GOCR TO MAINTAIN AND STRENGTHEN ITS POLICIES AND PROGRAMS AIMED AT ACHIEVING MORE EQUITABLE SOCIAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS CITIZENS.

V. 1. ENCOURAGE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF COSTA RICAN EFFORTS TO MEET THE BASIC NEEDS OF ITS MOST DISADVANTAGED GROUPS, AND TO INCREASE THEIR PRODUCTIVITY AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

V. 2. INSURE THAT COSTA RICA HAS MAXIMUM ACCESS TO US TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE RESOURCES, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO APPLICATIONS FOR NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND APPROPRIATE PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY IN COSTA RICA.

V. 3. ENCOURAGE THE ADOPTION OF INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS, RECOGNIZING COSTA RICA'S STATUS AS A "MIDDLE INCOME" COUNTRY AND ITS POTENTIAL TO SERVE AS A PROTO-TYPE FOR USG COOPERATIVE RVATIONSHPIS WITH COUNTRIES IN SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES.
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